

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: **KEITARO YONEZAWA**

CONFIRMATION NO. 4956

SERIAL NO.: 10/541,239

GROUP ART UNIT: 3723

FILED: July 1, 2005

EXAMINER: Wilson, Lee D.

FOR: ALIGNING DRIVE MECHANISM AND
POSITIONING APPARATUS HAVING THIS
MECHANISM

ATTY. REFERENCE: YONE3016/JJC/PMB



COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

| Fee Basis | Number of Claims After Amendment | Highest Number Previously Paid For | Extra Claims | Small Entity | Full Fee |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Total Claims | 22 | - 22 ¹ | = 0 ³ | × \$ 25 = | × \$ 50 = |
| Independent Claims | 3 | - 3 ² | = 0 ³ | × \$ 100 = | × \$ 200 = |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Proper Multiple Dependent Claim | | | | + \$ 180 = | + \$ 360 = |
| TOTAL | | | | | \$0.00 |

¹ If less than 20 enter 20.

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- ☐ Please charge my **Deposit Account Number 02-0200** in the amount of \$. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 02-0200**.
- ☐ Also enclosed is/are:

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DATE: December 28, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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| First Inventor: | Keitaro Yonezawa | Customer No.: | 23364 |
| Attorney No.: | YONE3016/JJC/PMB | Confirm. No.: | 4956 |
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated September 28, 2006 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Application No.: 10/541,239
Examiner: Wilson, Lee D.
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AMENDMENT

Please amend the pending application in accordance with the following particulars.

In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.